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EIGHT PAGES TODAY

Bill Miller Broadcasts From Japanese Prison

Acting Provost Marshal General Bryan of Washington on Monday wired Mrs. Edward S. Miller the following message from an enemy propaganda broadcast from the Japanese Government which was intercepted in Washington:

"Greetings to all. My health good and thoughts of you constantly. I am working in a hospital. If any business items concerning me occur have Harry handle them as he sees fit. The nieces and nephews will have grown a lot by this time, so tell them I try to picture them as they are now. Send pictures and any clippings that may be of interest and tell the Cherokee Scout I miss their weekly news items. Give all my friends my best regards. Call Betty when you receive this. Hope you see each other often. Lots of love to all. Bill (Capt. Edward S. Miller) Fukuoka Camp.

Captain Miller was captured on Corregidor in May, 1942, and is thought to be the first Cherokee county man to be captured in the present war. He is the son of Mrs. E. S. Miller of Murphy. His wife resides in Atlanta.

\$5,490 Allotted For Highway Improvement In This County

At a meeting of the state highway and public works commission in Raleigh last week contracts were approved for several jobs of repavement and resurfacing. Included in them was one for the amount of \$5,490 in Cherokee county.

Carringer Boys Visiting Parents

Seaman 2/c, Harry A. Carringer of Miami, Fla., and S 1/c Jack Carringer of the U. S. Naval Air Corps, Jacksonville, Fla., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Carringer, here.

Harry has recently returned to Miami from a 7,000 mile tour in which he was an escort in the Aircraft Supply Corps which covers South America, Brazil, Pearl Harbor and Cuba. He has now served two years in the U. S. Navy and will be going overseas on his return.

'Kussin Kitty' Collects



After hearing a sermon by their battalion chaplain, Navy Lt. John M. Du Puis of Detroit, Mich., these five members of a pioneer battalion of the Fourth Marine Division somewhere in the Pacific, swore off swearing. The "Kussin Kitty," a tobacco can with a slot in the top, helps them keep their resolve, for each time one of the quintet cusses, he must make a contribution to the "kitty." The money goes to Chaplain Du Pius, who turns it over to a local institution for religious charity. The five Marines are, left to right, Corp. John M. Saunders of Nashville, N. C., Sgt. Tom L. Williams of Tacoma, Wash., Corp. Willard A. Carpenter of Grand Rapids, Mich., Corp. William J. Seipel, Jr., of Columbus, O., and Staff Sgt. Charles J. Moore of Warren Point, N. J. (U. S. Marine Corps Photo)

Group Of Men Leave For Examination

The following 49 Cherokee county men left Tuesday morning for Fort Jackson, S. C., for pre-induction examination:

George Parvin Atkinson, leader; Hubert Almarine Mason, assistant leader; Walter Oscar Hampton (Imm. Ind.), Lake Robert Ledford (Imm. Ind.), Lonnie Lester Killian, William Price Sherrill, Wade Earl Kephart, Wade Ware, Voit Wilson, William Hill Thomason, George William Carroll, Joseph Casteel Hawkins, George Harold Mashburn, Jr., Fred Dennis Almond, Jessie Ray Whitener, Hoyt Clinton McDonald, Cecil Deaver, Winfred Patterson, Cecil Aud Lee Pack, James Robert Harmon, Claude Holloway, Albert Burton Cook, Kenneth Walker Jones, Ben William Wyke, Goldman Edward Eller, Richard Bryan Moore, Jack Lee Davis, Clifford Thomas Ledford, Robert Lawrence Taylor, Cecil Eugene Crowe, Elmer Harris, James Ward Clark, James Vaughn Derreberry, Grice Augustus Ledford, Hoyt Earl Raper, Junior Floyd Radford, Robert Oneal Wooten, Edward Palmer, Claude Dale Ladd, Andrew Miles Green, Jr., J. C. Coleman, James Earl Painter, (tr), Forest Denton Curtis, Hoyt Hicks Beaver, Garland Crisp, Wayne Vincent Truett, Wiley Franklin Elrod, Luther Mashburn, Broadus Graves.

Three Graduate At Mars Hill

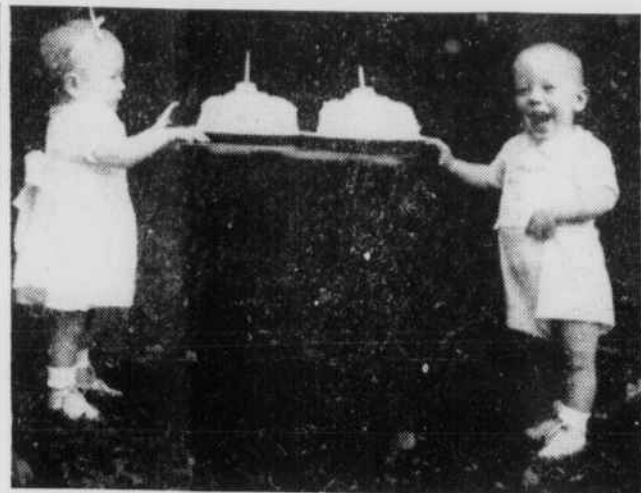
Among Murphy students who graduated from Mars Hill college last week were: Miss Eloise Davis, Miss Mary Frances Shields and Junior Mason.

SERMON SUBJECT

The subject of the Rev. Ralph Taylor at the Sunday evening service at First Methodist church will be: "I'd Learn to Have a Good Time."

AUXILIARY TO MEET

The Presbyterian Woman's auxiliary will meet Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock with Mrs. C. R. English.



CELEBRATE FIRST BIRTHDAY — The twins of the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Becky and Bill, are shown above as they celebrated their first birthday anniversary on May 16. They are standing beside their cakes, each containing one candle.

Man Killed In Truck Accident Near Here

Hamilton Is Granted Permit For Construction

J. J. Hamilton, owner of Imperial Cleaners, has been granted a permit by the War Production Board to erect a brick and tile building to house a dry cleaning and laundry establishment. The building, which will stand on the former Methodist church-Dickey property on Hickory street, will be 40 x 80 feet, one story.

Mrs. Sara Lloyd Is New Nantahala Regional Librarian

Mrs. Sara Lloyd of Norwood has been appointed librarian of the Nantahala regional library, succeeding Miss Dora Ruth Parks who resigned and left a few months ago for Morgantown, W. Va.

Mrs. Lloyd, sister of Mrs. Leon Lee who was known here as Miss Fannie Hathcock, is expected to arrive here this week end and begin her work on Monday. She is a graduate of Emory University Library school, Atlanta, and has had experience in college and county library systems. She had charge of libraries at WCTC, Cullowhee, in Winston-Salem, and Greenwood, S. C., county system. She resigned as librarian of the Whitfield county library, Dalton, Ga., to accept the work here.

Miss Julius Amis, field representative of the North Carolina Library Commission, has been acting regional librarian here since Miss Parks' departure awaiting the arrival of her successor.

BOARD TO MEET

The Nantahala regional library board will meet in Robbinsville on Tuesday evening, June 5, at 7:30 o'clock.

REALIZE \$1,200

Murphy Lions club realized a profit of approximately \$1,200 from the carnival sponsored on Friday and Saturday of last week.

45 Head Cattle Average \$236 In Guernsey Sale Held Friday

The fourth annual Guernsey cattle sale in Cherokee county, was held Friday at the fair grounds here, beginning at 12 o'clock noon. Forty-five head sold, averaged approximately \$236.66.

The top female, which sold for \$650, was consigned by Riegeldeale farm, Trion, Ga., and was purchased by David Kemp of Hendersonville. Fanning Field farm, Arden, sold the second high female which brought \$550, and was purchased by W. E. Britt of Asheville, Route 1.

Six bulls averaged \$230.83. The top bull was consigned by Riegeldeale farm and sold for \$355 to

John Burton Davis, 20, son of Jess Davis of Morgantown, Ga., is dead and George Davis who suffered a serious head injury and his sister, Mrs. George Jones, suffering from internal injuries, are in a local hospital as the result of an accident when the truck in which they were riding overturned down an embankment about six miles from Murphy on the Hangingdog road about 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The truck driven by Harley Davenport of Union county, Ga., was loaded with people going to a decoration at Hangingdog church, and it was reported that the steering gear locked and the truck overturned three times down a 200-foot embankment and landed in the creek. John Burton Davis was brought to Murphy by Townson's ambulance, dying before reaching the hospital.

Almost every one in the party had cuts and bruises. Some were treated and released from the hospital.

Officers reported that Robert Davenport, Lyle Jones and Laborn Dockey were being held in jail as witnesses. It was afterwards reported that they had been released on bond.

VISITS RELATIVES

S. Sgt. Roy J. Wilson has returned to Camp Butner after spending 22 days with relatives in Marble. He was wounded in Luxembourg last October and holds the Purple Heart award.

Sgt. Wilson has three brothers in the service, all overseas. They are: Pvt. Frank F., who has been in Italy two years; Cpl. William M., who is in Hawaii and Pfc. Ralph L., who has been in the Pacific two years. They are the sons of R. J. Wilson of Marble.

VISIT JOHNSONS

Richard L. Johnson, U. S. C. G. and Mrs. Johnson recently visited Mr. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Johnson of Murphy.

Mr. Johnson has left for his new base in Miami, Fla., where he will attend a special school for eight weeks. Mrs. Johnson is visiting here before leaving for her home. She was Miss Virginia Tierney of Youngstown, Ohio, before her marriage last November.

Clyde Cox of Rome, Ga. Quail Roost farm, Rougemont, consigned the second top bull which sold for \$325, and went to Charles Hamby of Long Creek, S. C.

Mr. Kemp was high buyer, purchasing five animals for \$2,250, an average of \$450. Fifteen animals were purchased by farmers in Cherokee county; Graham county purchased three head.

A Maxim bred Guernsey heifer was purchased by the Lions club and given to a local 4-H club boy who will give the first heifer calf dropped by the gift heifer back

Schools Are Holding Their Closing Exercises

Thirty-Three Men Leave For Army Induction

Thirty-three Cherokee county men left Murphy Wednesday morning by bus for Fort Bragg for induction into the armed forces. They were:

Oscar Wiley Taylor, leader; Dilas Edgar Adams, assistant leader; Paul Allen, Sheridan Columbus James, Arnold James Millsaps, William Odies Mason, Frank Edson Ammond, Ray R. Raxter, Willard Beaver, Carl Panter, William Henry Cochran, Calvin Guinn Willcox, Benjamin Franklin Ramsey, Walter Cecil Taylor, James Oscar Pendergrass.

Roy Edward McDonald, Fred Russell Thompson, Roy Clifford Dockey, Ralph Harvey Sneed, Carl William Wallace, Carl Linly Deby, James William Duvall, Henry Dale Dockey, Omer Amos Miller, Fred W. Kilpatrick, Jr., Venson Adams, Frank Hall Dickiey, Claude Randel Hayes, Jack Leonard Davis, Cecil Ledrew Tanner, Robert Calvin Johnson, Onis Radford, Virgil White.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Trantham, 78

Funeral services for Mrs. Sherman Trantham, 78, a life long resident of the Potato Creek community, were held in the new Bethlehem Baptist church Sunday, with the Rev. Roy Culpepper officiating. Interment was in the Bethlehem cemetery.

Surviving are her husband; three sons, John, George, and Fred, all of Potato Creek community; five daughters, Mrs. Dorse Voyles of Copperhill, Tenn., Mrs. Emory Voyles of Turtletown, Tenn., Mrs. Arvil Hembree of Isabella, Tenn., and Mrs. Ervin Jones and Mrs. Jerry Jones of Potato Creek; 54 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Two Games Are Scheduled For The Week End

The American Legions, Asheville, will play Murphy All Stars Saturday at 2:30 p. m.; Sunday, Atlanta Army Air Base will play Murphy All Stars.

A dance, sponsored by Murphy Baseball club, will be given at Murphy gym, from 8:30 to 12 o'clock, Saturday night, honoring the Atlanta Army Air Base boys.

NEW PASTOR

Pleasant Valley church has elected the Rev. W. T. Smith to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Mr. McClure who has resigned.

Regular services will be held the fourth Saturday night and Sunday at 11 a. m. The Second Sunday night at 8 o'clock, announces Mr. Smith. The public is invited.

Ben Warner Is Liberated In Germany

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Warner Tuesday received the following telegram from the Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.:

"The secretary of War desires me to inform you that your son, Pfc. Benjamin E. Warner, Jr., returned to military control, 23rd of May."

Mr. and Mrs. Warner received a message on Dec. 27 that Pfc. Warner had been missing since Nov. 28, and later they received a card from him dated Dec. 28, that he was a prisoner of the Germans, in prison camp, Stalag IV B.

He entered service May 20, 1943, receiving training in the infantry at Fort McClelland, Ala. He was transferred to communications service at Camp Atterbury, Ind. and went overseas in Sept. 1944.

Mrs. Almond Is Re-Elected Head Of Associational Baptist W. M. U.

Mrs. C. T. Almond of Andrews was elected superintendent of the Western North Carolina Missionary Union at the meeting held here last Thursday. Other officers elected were:

Mrs. Fred McGuire of Andrews, Associational superintendent; Mrs. R. D. Chandler, Murphy, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. W. H. Murray, Murphy, Community Missions chairman; Mrs. Frank Whitehead, Andrews, Mission Study chairman; Mrs. L. P. Smith, Andrews, Stewardship chairman; Mrs. J. Alton Morris, Murphy, Young Peoples' leader; the Rev. R. Lane Akins, Hayesville, R. A. counselor; Mrs. W. A. Sherrill, Murphy, G. A. counselor; Mrs. J. J. Hamilton, Murphy, Margaret Fund Chairman.

The meeting the theme of which was "Lead On, O King Eternal", opened at 10 a. m. with singing of the hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal", followed by meditation, "Thy Cross is Lifted O'er Us, We Journey in its Light," prayer — for those on prayer calendar, for all in armed forces, for a righteous peace, and devotional — "The Crown Awaits the Conquest", by Mrs. J. V. Hall.

During the business session, visitors including wives of new pastors and others were recognized, new committees appointed and other necessary business transacted, followed by memorial meditation, "We Follow, Not With Fears," "Thy Grace Has Made us Strong"; reports of superintendent and chairmen; roll call of societies.

"Henceforth in Fields of Conquest" was the subject of an address by state W. M. U. worker, Miss Ruth Keller, followed by the hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross", and announcements. "With Deeds of Love and Mercy" was the subject of the missionary address by Miss Margaret Marchman of Franklin, home from Nigeria. Lunch was served by women of First Baptist church.

After lunch, "Hail to the Brightness", meditation, "The Sweet Amen of Peace", by Miss Emma Louise Jenkins, opened the program.

"Through Days of Preparation" — Report of training school and Margaret Fund chairman, was by Mrs. F. McGuire.

"Lead On in the Training of Youth" — report of Young Peoples' work and report of Young Peoples' leader, followed.

Reports of nominating and other committees were heard and other unfinished business transacted.

The closing message — "She That Winneth Souls is Wise", was by the Rev. R. Lane Akins.

School commencement exercises will be held in the schools of the county this week and next. On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the Murphy baccalaureate sermon will be preached at First Methodist church, by the Rev. Ralph Taylor, who will use as his subject, "Pioneers for Modern Frontiers".

On Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock the Rev. Ralph Taylor will preach the baccalaureate sermon at Hiwassee Dam high school. On June 5 at 10 a. m., the eighth grade will present their exercises, sponsored by Mrs. W. B. Thomas. Senior class night is June 6 at 8 p. m. The commencement address and graduating exercises will be June 7, when Mrs. G. W. Cover, representative of Cherokee county, will give the address.

Andrews exercises are announced on another page of this paper.

Graduation exercises at Murphy will be on Wednesday, June 6, at 8 p. m., when W. A. McCall, professor of education of Columbia University and a widely known author, will make the address. Miss Mildred Wells will give the salutatory and Miss Mamilee Kilpatrick the valedictory. H. Bueck will present the speaker, and Miss Virginia Ann Morgan will sing.

Honor students at Hiwassee Dam are: Miss Nell Keenum, valedictorian, and Miss Alma Brendle, salutatorian.

Mrs. Reid Dies At Age of 82

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Collins Reid, 82, who died at her home Saturday morning about 9:30 o'clock, were held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at Bellview Methodist church, with the pastor, the Rev. Varnell Ozment, and the Rev. John Green officiating. Music was in charge of Bill Hembree. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Bill Hatchett, Emory Davidson, Guy Hill, Clyde McNabb, Wade Anderson and Emerson Anderson.

Born Dec. 13, 1862, Mrs. Reid professed faith in Christ at the age of 16, and united with the old Friendship Baptist church. At the time of her death, she had been a member of the Bellview church for approximately 12 years.

On January 5, 1888, she was married to James Reid who survives. Other survivors are three children, Elbert Reid of Murphy, Route 2; Mrs. Nina Johnson, and Mrs. Nora Seagles, both of Gastonia; 12 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Ivie funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Club Schedule Is Announced

The home demonstration club schedule for June is as follows: Violet, May 31, Mrs. Garfield Morrow, 1:30; Sunny Point, June 5, Mrs. Harold Payne, 1:00; Peachtree, June 7, Mrs. Julia Wells, 1:00; Liberty, June 11, Mrs. Emma Lee Payne, 1:00; Bellview, June 12, Mrs. Alfred Crowder, 1:00; Postell, June 13, Mrs. S. Montgomery and Mrs. N. A. Quinn, 1:00; Slow Creek, June 14, Mrs. Sam Newton, 1:00; Ogreeta, June 15, Mrs. Mae Johnson, 1:00; Grandview, June 19, Mrs. Howard McDonald, 1:00.

Unaka, June 20, Mrs. Lillie Carter, 1:00; Tomotla, June 21, Mrs. J. R. Evans, 2:00; Wolf Creek, June 22, place to be announced; Marble, June 25, Mrs. James Bryson, 1:30; Martin Creek School, June 26, 1:30; Valleytown, June 27, Mrs. Lawson Crawford, 2:00; and Ranger, June 28, Mrs. M. L. Kilpatrick, 1:00.

Liberated

Verlon Carter of Murphy has been liberated from a German prison camp and is now home with his relatives.